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Now that Christmas and the New Year are over we enter the second half of the season and are playing sides for the second time round. However, referring to the Christmas period, which was an excellent time for the Club, we gained a maximum twelve points. Obviously everybody at the Club including the players, myself and the staff were highly delighted with these results, as these games included two London "derbies" as well as playing against stiff opposition in the top half of the table. The two London "derbies" proved to be tremendous entertainment, filled with all the ingredients which make football the great game it is. Both games ended in 4-3 wins for Wimbledon and kept everybody on their toes until the last moment. This type of football cannot fail to bring the fans back and I am sure that anyone who saw any of these games will feel that they got excellent value for money. In fact I have received a letter, from two

Dave

Dutch fans who saw the Millwall game, in which they said that they saw more excitement in this one game than they normally see in a full season of Dutch football. Probably this is an exaggeration but it only goes to prove why the English game is so popular on the Continent.

The next game saw us visit Gillingham where we obtained a 1-0 win, which I felt was fully justified. In my opinion, the second half performance in this game was our most disciplined and professional performance for some time. It was naturally pleasing to gain a victory at Gillingham as we had never won there in the League and we were playing against a side that was riding quite high, and who were fielding two of our old players in John Leslie and Gary Armstrong. On a blustery day we certainly adapted ourselves very well to the conditions as we coped with kicking with the wind as well as dealing with playing against it.

The first game of the New Year we were at home to high riding Sheffield United and again playing a club that we had never beaten before. Again we produced the goods and won 3-1 after going a goal down. I feel that this showed that the players had character and determination and were fully committed to the task. The game was played in blustery, wet weather conditions, which are not usually conducive to good football. However we were yet again provided with tremendous entertainment and excitement and in my opinion ran out worthy

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winners against a team that is ear-marked for promotion.

Having hauled ourselves into fourth place in the League we then visited Bradford City last weekend where we came a cropper against a side that have not lost in the League since they played at Wimbledon back in early November. Regrettably I do not wish to comment further about this game due to the controversy surrounding three of the Bradford goals. They were, in my opinion, extremely dubious. On occasions such as this it is easy to be charged with bringing the game into disrepute. As I certainly am not a referee baiter, in any way whatsoever, I shall be making no comment. Suffice to say that I only hope that the press and the people that were there will be able to retell the story as they saw it. The six managers sacked before Christmas once again did little to advance football's status in the eyes of pos-



The club then found they could not afford his settlement payment, so he agreed to lend it back and be paid weekly. He now finds out he wasn't sacked after all but suspended, which means he cannot take another job. John found himself in a professional limbo..... a disgrace for all achieved for Port Vale.

Contrast this with the dignity in which Arsenal and Terry Neill parted company and remember there are more clubs the size of Port Vale than Arsenal.

I am also wondering how much Joe Fagan's comments concerning Stoke's tactics and performance at Anfield had an effect on the sacking of Richie Barker from Stoke City. In addition it would also appear that Sammy McIlroy and Micky Thomas did not help the manager's cause in indicating that they wanted a transfer as long as he was manager. This proves yet again player power, which the directors take notice of in preference to the person they have in charge of their football matters.

I'm not saying we managers don't deserve the sack when things go wrong, but surely there's a good and bad way of going about it.

For it seems when the pressure is on it isn't the manager, players or coach that panics.... but directors. The same men who made money in their own business by being steady and controlled.

I wish they would have more nerve, more belief in their own judgement before pressing the panic button. The time has come surely to make it law that no manager be sacked mid-season. Directors should have known what they were doing when making the appointment.

Footballers, managers and coaches try to give the game skill, excitement for the public. I would like to see directors give understanding. Only when the twain don't meet should the axe fall.

As mentioned earlier, this is the second half of the season and we will continue our efforts to provide a promotion challenge and we shall therefore, as always, require the vocal support of our fans. I am therefore requesting every effort today to ensure that we beat Bolton Wanderers whom we have only played once before but have yet to beat.

Today seems a good opportunity to put the record right. 'HARRY'

Bassett

sible conversions to our sport. Men, good servants, were tossed out like a mother clearing the cupboards ready for the next influx of Santa's toys.

Hello, Harry's defending his mates, can I hear? Perhaps I am slightly biased, but also democratic enough to know when wrong is wrong. And these men were wronged. Badly.

Two, in particular, made me feel very angry..... John Docherty at Cambridge United and John McGrath at Port Vale.

Docherty, until his dismissal, was the longest serving manager in the Second Division. He had worked wonders on a shoestring, being forced to sell every now and then to keep the club from going under. His success in my eyes was not so much as challenging for Second Division honours, but just keeping them there. He did that marvellously.

But just one slip in an otherwise faultless career saw the trapdoor open. Disgraceful. Cambridge directors, by their action, have, I believe, made an enormous rod for their own backs.

This story, though, is nothing compared with McGrath's. John not only guided Port Vale to promotion but showed a healthy six figure profit on transfer dealings... a remarkable achievement because it's quite common for promoted clubs to show losses.

McGrath is an honest, genuine character and his reward was the sack. But this is not the end of the sad story.

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Wimbledon

BOLTON WELL PLACED FOR PROMOTION

by Tony Pullein

When Bolton were relegated from the Second Division at the end of last season, manager John McGovern decided to place the club's future largely in the hands of their younger players.

Goalkeeper Simon Farnworth is this season playing League football for the first time and forward Steve Saunders was also given his League debut. Forwards Steve Thompson and Warren Joyce had been given only rare first-team outings prior to this season. Neil Redfearn, a midfield player, and striker Simon Rudge were both introduced to the side last season whilst Wayne Foster has been in the squad for just over two years.

Neil Berry, a defender who often gets nominated as substitute, had made only 12 League appearances before this season.

During the summer Mr. McGovern made two new signings, defender Peter Valentine coming from Huddersfield and striker Tony Caldwell being signed from a local club Horwich RMI.

Defenders Brian Borrows and Ray Deakin were both signed by Mr. McGovern, who took over as manager in the 1982 close season.

So that leaves only forward Jeff Chandler and centre-back Gerry McElhinney from the players who were established first-teamers when Mr. McGovern arrived.

The Trotters are now well placed to regain their Second Division status at the first attempt. They have won three away games — at Bradford City (2-0), Port Vale (2-1) and Wigan (1-0). They drew at Exeter (2-2), Lincoln (0-0) and Bournemouth (2-2) but they lost at Gillingham (0-2), Scunthorpe (0-1), Bristol Rovers (1-2), Plymouth (0-2) and Sheffield United (0-5).

Bolton took a shock exit from the Milk Cup. Though they defeated lowly Fourth Division Chester 3-0 in their home leg, they lost the return 0-3 and went out on penalty deciders.

In the F.A. Cup they beat Tranmere (4-2 after a 2-2 draw) and Mansfield (2-0) at Burnden Park. In last Saturday's third round they lost against Sunderland (0-3).

SIMON FARNWORTH (Goalkeeper) Simon completed his apprenticeship at Burnden Park and was introduced to League football against the Dons on the opening day of this season. He has since been holding his place.

BRIAN BORROWS (Defender) Brian joined Everton as a schoolboy and he made his League debut in 1981/82. He made a total of 27 First Division appearances for the Toffees before transferring to Bolton last season.

GERRY MCELHINNEY (Defender) Gerry has graduated to international status this season, playing for N. Ireland against West Germany and Scotland. Bolton signed him from Distillery and he made his League debut for them three seasons ago.

PETER VALENTINE (Defender) Peter was introduced to League football by Huddersfield in 1981/82 and made a total of 19 League appearances for that club. He joined Bolton last summer and has been a regular member of their back four.

NEIL BERRY (Defender) Neil is a former Bolton apprentice who graduated to first-team duty two seasons ago.

RAY DEAKIN (Defender) Ray served his apprenticeship with Everton and he remained at Goodison Park until 1981, though he didn't get a game in their First Division side. He spent 1981/82 with Port Vale and moved to Bolton during the 1982 close-season.

WARREN JOYCE (Midfield) Warren earned his first few games in Bolton's League eleven last season and has been holding a regular place this term.

STEVE THOMPSON (Midfield) Steve is another former Bolton apprentice to make the grade. He got his first few outings last season and he has now established himself in the side.

NEIL REDFEARN (Midfield) Neil was with Nottingham Forest as an apprentice and joined Bolton in June 1982. He made a few League appearances last season and is now a fixture in the side.

JEFF CHANDLER (Forward) Jeff has run into top form and is now Bolton's second highest scorer with 11 goals. A skilful winger who began his League career with Blackpool in 1977/78, Jeff was transferred to Leeds in 1979 and Bolton secured his signature for £40,000 two seasons ago.

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City for Neil Whatmore, Aug. '81

Record Transfer fee paid:
£350,000 to West Brom for
Len Cantello, May 1979

Club Nickname:
"The Trotters"

*Front row (left to right): Charlie Wright (Coach), Jeff Chandler, Steve Saunders, John McGovern (Player/Manager), Ray Deakin, Simon Rudge, Peter Nightingale (Physio).
Middle row: Warren Joyce, Neil Redfearn, Steve Thompson, Tony Caldwell, Eric Snookes, Wayne Foster.
Back Row: Brian Borrows, Neil Berry, John Platt, Simon Farnworth, Gerry McElhinney, Peter Valentine.*

TONY CALDWELL (Forward) Tony was signed from Horwich and made his League debut against Wimbledon in August. He hit five goals in one game against Walsall and is now top scorer with 16.

WAYNE FOSTER (Forward) Wayne quickly earned a regular place after being given his debut two seasons ago.

SIMON RUDGE (Forward) Simon made his League debut against Wolves in September 1982 whilst still an apprentice. He was called on as substitute.

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What a great finish to the old year and a fine start to the New Year — 12 points and 12 goals in the four games over the holiday period. Unfortunately the second game of 1984 was not such a happy result. Whilst we played well at Bradford and took an early lead through Alan Cork some controversial decisions by the referee proved too much for us to overcome. The only topic of conversation amongst our supporters on the journey back home was the referee and how biased his decisions seemed to be. Regretfully we cannot comment. We were also the victims of an error by the referee in our match v Millwall. Their 3rd goal, an "own goal" by Wally Downes, should not have been given. According to Law 13, which says "a goal can only be scored from a free kick against offending side" a corner should have been awarded to Millwall and not a goal. So Wally wasn't the wally! Today we play our 300th game since joining the Football League in 1977 and to mark the occasion we welcome Bolton Wanderers F.C., who were founder members of the Football League in 1888 and have amassed a total of 3,315 games. This is Wanderers first ever visit to Plough Lane and we trust they will enjoy their stay but not to take away the points. A look at the records of the two clubs is quite interesting.

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MATCHDAY MAINSTAY

Eric Gush, a stalwart of our Club has recently resigned from the board of directors and it is fitting to pay tribute to his many years of service and devotion.

In his early days here — some 27 years ago — Eric served as a turnstile operator. Since then he has done just about every job on the ground and he still makes an incredible contribution on matchdays, most evenings and week-ends.

The Club owe Eric a huge debt for his services especially on ground improvements and all the behind the scenes work he does and we extend to him our most sincere thanks and good wishes.

Eric will still continue his involvement with the Club as a life Vice-President, a fitting appointment and one he is most proud to hold.

CAPITAL RADIO GOAL RUSH

With half the season gone this is becoming a two club race between Chelsea and ourselves, with Arsenal trailing along in 3rd place. Chelsea now require 33 goals to reach their target of 84 goals, whilst we need 38 goals to achieve our target of 92. Chelsea have 17 games in which to score their 33 (average 2 per game) whilst we have 23 games to get our 38 (average 1.65 per game). The averages to date, are Chelsea 2.04 and Wimbledon 2.35 goals per game. If we can maintain our aver-

age we could again be the winners of the £25,000 award.

"GO WITH FOOTBALL"

Further on in this programme you will find an entry form to enter a competition entitled "Go With Football" which is being run by the BBC and the Football League jointly. Your entry forms should be sent to Norman de Mesquita at Radio London and these will be judged along with others from the London area. The area winner will be invited to a game and there join the local radio commentator where he/she may be invited to comment on the game.

The area finalists will then be required to submit a further entry and from these five will be selected for the finals.

Should a Wimbledon supporter reach this stage we will give you further details. Come on lads and lassies get those entries in and let us know what you think of football's future!

CONGRATULATIONS

Firstly to Steve Payne of our Youth team who has his 17th birthday on Tuesday, 17th January. Then to Mark Morris (100 games — League & Cup) and Steve Hatter (50 League games).

INSIGHT INTO PROFESSIONAL FOOTBALL

Would you like to take a fascinating look behind the scenes of some of the biggest football clubs. There is a 10 week course, commencing on Monday 23rd January, 7.30 — 9.30 p.m. at Stanley Park Evening Centre, Stanley Park Road, Carshalton, presented by our manager, David Bassett and the Crystal Palace chairman Ron Noades, together with other staff from these clubs. Enrolment at Stanley Park Evening Centre on Monday, 16th January.

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS CUP

The draw for the above will take place on Wednesday, 25th January.

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We have an enquiry for Wimbledon Supporters Club enamel lapel badges — pre-League days. If any supporter has any for sale we will be pleased to give them the name and address of the enquirer.

THANKS

We would like to thank David (No. 1) Smith and Dr. Ian Wilson for their kind donation to the Club of their programme collections. They will help fill gaps in the Club's own collection. But there is still a need for programmes from the 1950's and early 60's, especially "aways". So if you have any you don't need stored away in the attic, we would be pleased to have them.

Guest Writer

TONY STENSON

Daily Mirror

The Football Association might have waved goodbye to their most precious asset — the FA Cup — by banning shirt advertising from the final to “protect the dignity of the occasion”.

For I heard this week that one influential London Chairman is winning support for league club's to run their own competition.

“We supply the teams for the FA Cup so I can't really see why we should be dictated to. Either the FA bend on this matter or we go our own way. It's as simple as that,” he said.

His lobby was already gaining momentum when the FA made their ridiculous statement. Just how can any ruling body make decisions like that when they allow England to run out in multi-coloured bedspreads that are supposed to be our national shirts?

And I like the cheek of “to protect the dignity”. What a lot of balony. Watching a Cup Final these days is nothing to shout about.

You either face the prospect of splinters from wooden benches or risk your eyesight trying to recognise players from the back of the terraces.

The dignity, I suppose, is the endless line of expensive limousines arriving with some long forgotten official.

My Mirror Sport colleague Jimmy Greaves, in his weekly column, sum-

med it up perfectly last week with: ‘What the FA should be trying to protect, rather than their dignity, is the future of the clubs wrestling with gigantic financial problems.

‘How can clubs be expected to negotiate lucrative deals with sponsors if they cannot offer them at least the chance of having their name played to a world wide 300 million audience that tunes into the FA Cup Final’.

Absolutely right, Jim.

The FA have already taken a knock-out blow in their battle with the players' union for more TV appearance money. I can see them losing this one as well.

It's alright for the FA to tell Bournemouth, Colchester and Stockport what to do, but this battle is being fought by the big guns — Liverpool, Manchester, Arsenal, Spurs and Everton, despite how some fell on Saturday.

Take away teams of that calibre and you take away the mainstream of competition (did the draw on Monday seem right without several top names?).

And a final Orwellian warning came from the same director: “We shouldn't stop there. We should also run our own insurance and pools. It's time the tail wagged the dog!”

Beware — it is 1984....

FINAL note of thanks to Dave ‘Harry’ Bassett and the team for giving me such an enjoyable Christmas. A couple of 4-3 wins, a 5-2 defeat and a few bookings and a sending-off. I was almost disappointed when they won 1-0 at Gillingham. I've become used to more action. All the best, lads — but 1-0..... really!

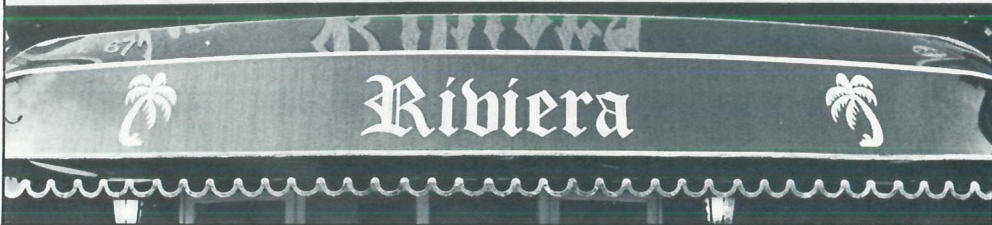
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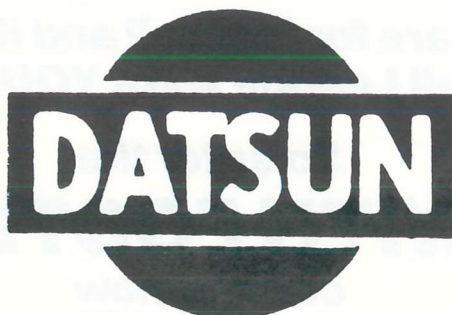
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For any further information contact Mick Miles in the Club Office or telephone 946 0867.

DONS SUPPORTERS

It's quite pleasant to settle into the normal routine and not have to meet the printer's holiday deadline, which meant writing in anticipation of events or facing delays before "news" reached you.

Having mistakenly omitted the Gillingham game I wrote in an earlier programme that 9 points over the holiday period would be a great present. Congratulations and thanks lads for the way you bounced back into the promotion picture after the Burnley game by collecting a full quota of 12 points. From the spectators point of view there can be complaints about some atrocious weather conditions but not, surely, about a lack of goals or the way the team 'battled'! It's to your credit that a pleasing number of you turned up for the home games and also travelled away, despite the weather. Some teams have plenty of fair weather supporters, ours has foul weather supporters!

I was interested to read Harry's comments in the last programme about the F.A. and League backed letter asking players to restrain themselves after scoring goals. I agree with Harry's thoughts and wonder if, as 1984 is here, both bodies will ask supporters to restrain themselves after their team scores. "You must not cheer, shout or chant. You may, however, clap quietly for a short period." Soccer is all about enjoyment and excitement with those ingredients taken away there is little point in playing or supporting a particular team. Needless to say there is some behaviour on or off the pitch which can't be condoned but genuine celebration by the players or ourselves isn't part of it.

As yet we've received no directives, so as Harry constantly tells you, as do I via these notes or the P.A., let the team know you're alive and well and behind them today. You are quiet from time to time!

Turning to more specific Supporters Club items, don't forget that there is a Disco in the Dons Bar after today's match. It starts at 8.00pm and tickets will cost you £1.50 this afternoon, from the Committee or Information Centre, or £1.80 on the door.

As the Dons are now handily poised for promotion it may inspire you to join the Supporters Club or to help us take advantage of the many goals being scored by joining the sponsor-a-goal scheme.

Southend supporters have a 5-a-side team looking for games. If anyone is interested in competing against them at soccer, please let me know. The National Federation of Football Supporters Clubs are going through the sexist ritual of looking for a Miss Football Supporter. If you are attractive and don't mind posing in evening dress or know someone in all seriousness who fits that bill and could be considered as a Miss Wimbledon Supporter for entry for the larger competition, please let me know. I have the entry forms.

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Youth Team Round-up

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Saturday, 7th January, 1984

South East Counties League, Junior Division

Wimbledon: Jones, Dear, Savage, Thorn, Hughes, Paine (M), Donaghue, Hazell, Miller, Woodbridge, Payne (S).

After missing an early chance when Miller shot into the side-netting Wimbledon went behind to a Swindon goal just before half-time. From a corner the visiting central defender headed the ball down for the centre forward to score from close range.

Wimbledon missed a good scoring chance just after half-time when Woodbridge's centre was headed into the side netting. Swindon continued to dominate the game and got their second goal on the hour. They sealed the Dons fate with a 3rd goal, which was headed in on the near post from a corner.

Swindon deserved their win, which takes them to the top of the table, for their total commitment. "It was a poor performance all round from the Dons," said manager Geoff Taylor, "with some players showing a lack of character."

FIRST TEAM APPEARANCES

	Appearances		Goals	
	Lge	Cup	Lge	Cup
Dave Beasant	23	8		
Gary Peters	17	8	1	1
Nigel Winterburn	22	8		
Steve Galliers	18	8		2
Mark Morris	23	8	3	
Steve Hatter	22	8	1	
Stewart Evans	23	8	7	2
Steve Ketteridge	22	7	4	2
Alan Cork	19(1s)	7	20	4
Glyn Hodges	20(1s)	7(1s)	6	3
Wally Downes	21	6(1s)	3	1
Andy Sayer	1			
Kevin Gage	1(8s)	1	1	
Paul Fishenden	6(3s)	1(3s)	4	1
Mick Smith	8	2	3	
Phil Driver	(2s)	1		
Dean Thomas	7			
O.G.			1	

YOUTH TEAM APPEARANCES AND GOALSCORERS

	Appearances		Goals	
	Lge	Cup	Lge	Cup
Paul Jones	12	4		
Kevin Wedderburn	8	2		
Nick Savage	11	4		
Andy Thorn	12	4	3	
Mick Paine	11	4	5	1
Doug Hughes	9	2		
Andy Dear	12	3(1s)	6	1
John Gannon	7	4	6	
Simon Woodbridge	12	3(1s)	5	1
Gary Dolling	10	4	7	
Paul Miller	6(2s)	1(1s)	2	
Glenn Eagles	2			
Andy Clements	5(2s)	1(2s)		
Chris Woods	(2s)		1	
Paul Todd	(5s)	1		
Andy Sayer		3		1
Sean Priddle		2		
Steve Payne		2(1s)	8	2
Ian Hazell	3(3s)	(1s)		
James Ness	1		1	
O.G.			1	

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LOOKING BACK FIVE YEARS

5 YEARS AGO.... Because of bad weather, the only match to be played during January 1979 involving Wimbledon was the FA Cup 3rd Round tie at Plough Lane against First Division Southampton, a match featured on this page in the last programme. But there was plenty of activity at Plough Lane during January 1979 off the field. Phil Driver, a winger signed from non-League Bedford Town, made his debut in the big game with Portsmouth on Boxing Day, coming on as substitute, and then making his full debut in the next home match against Rochdale. The matches called off during January were: Torquay (a), Grimsby (h), Wigan (a), Newport (h) and Reading (a) as atrocious weather put paid to all these fixtures. Also during January 1979, the Club signed Wally Downes as a full-time professional following his impressive performances in the Youth and Reserve 4th Division up to and including Saturday 13th January 1979 with 14 League goals.

Dons also paid £3,000 for Mark Dziadulewicz from Southern League Club Chelmsford City.

LOOKING BACK TEN YEARS

10 YEARS AGO..... Saturday 12th January 1974 v WEALDSTONE (Home) FA Challenge Trophy 1st Round. Lost 0-1. Att: 1,084. Referee: K.J. Underwood (Essex)

It was another bleak day for Dons as hopes of a long run in the FA Trophy ended against Wealdstone. With behind-the-scenes interference, involving manager Dick Graham who had been asked by the Board to revert to part-time management, just weeks after being made full-time manager, it wasn't a particularly happy atmosphere at Wimbledon going into this Cup tie. Wealdstone didn't look too impressive, and despite Dons having 80 per cent of the play, the visitors still managed to squeeze through into the next round. Dons can only have themselves to blame. But, although these two sides must be sick of each other, following their marathon Southern League Cup battles, there were plenty of chances for both sides in the first half to seal a victory. The breakthrough came in the 42nd minute with a goal by Presland, a 25-yard shot that sailed past Dickie Guy. Two minutes later, Dons should have been level when Cooke clipped a shot inches wide, and moments before the end, Jeff Bryant, just back after five months' suspension, missed Mick Mahon's rebound in front of an empty net.

WIMBLEDON: Guy, Stockley, McCready, Langford, Loughlan, Bloss, Lucas, Smith, Larkin, Cooke, Mahon. Sub: Bryant.

LOOKING BACK TWENTY YEARS

20 YEARS AGO... Saturday 11th January 1964 v MAIDENHEAD UTD. Won 4-0 (Scorers: Brown (2), Keats, Reynolds). F.A. Amateur Cup 1st Round.

...The Dons progressed to the 2nd Round of the Amateur Cup at Plough Lane on Saturday, but not in the manner that suggests they will go much further.

A four goal margin appears satisfactory enough, but to the 3,200 spectators it was not a convincing performance from the 5-1 favourites to retain the Cup.

The first 40 minutes saw the Dons in command — but no goals. Then Keats sent Brown pounding down the right wing and then raced into the goalmouth in time to head home the return ball.

Four minutes into the 2nd half, Murphy's shot was blocked in the goalmouth and Brown was on hand to slam in the loose ball. Eight minutes later Keats cut in from the right and his waist high cross was flicked home by Reynolds. The visitors lost Springell, their centre-half and Wimbledon stepped up a gear. Thirteen corners in 30 minutes, but alas only one goal, due to poor finishing. Keats crossed to Brown's feet and he drove it home with his right foot.

WIMBLEDON: Kelly, Martin J., Willis, Ardrey, Law, Murphy, Keats, Brown, Reynolds, Hamm, Williams.

Date	Opponents	Res.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
CANON LEAGUE DIVISION THREE										
Aug. 27	Bolton Wanderers	A	0-2	Beasant	Peters	Winterburn	Galliers	Morris	Hatter	Evans
Sept. 3	Newport County	H	6-0	Beasant	Peters	Winterburn	Galliers	Morris	Hatter	Evans ²
6	AFC Bournemouth	H	3-2	Beasant	Peters	Winterburn	Galliers	Morris	Hatter	Evans
10	Southend United	A	1-1	Beasant	Peters	Winterburn	Galliers	Morris	Hatter	Evans
17	Port Vale	H	4-2	Beasant	Peters	Winterburn	Galliers	Morris ¹	Hatter	Evans ¹
24	Exeter City	A	3-0	Beasant	Peters	Winterburn	Galliers	Morris	Hatter	Evans
27	Hull City	A	0-1	Beasant	Peters	Winterburn	Galliers	Morris	Hatter	Evans
Oct. 1	Orient	H	2-2 ^X	Beasant	Peters ¹	Winterburn	Galliers	Morris	Hatter	Evans
8	Bristol Rovers	H	1-1	Beasant	Peters	Winterburn	Galliers	Morris	Hatter ¹	Evans
15	Walsall	A	0-4	Beasant	Peters	Winterburn	Galliers	Morris	Hatter	Evans
18	Preston North End	A	3-2	Beasant	Peters	Winterburn	Morris	Smith ¹	Hatter	Evans
22	Rotherham United	H	3-1	Beasant	Peters	Winterburn	Gage	Morris ¹	Hatter	Evans
29	Scunthorpe United	A	1-5	Beasant	Peters	Winterburn	Thomas	Morris	Hatter	Evans
Nov. 1	Oxford United	H	3-1	Beasant	Peters	Winterburn	Galliers	Morris	Hatter	Evans
5	Bradford City	H	4-1	Beasant	Peters	Winterburn	Galliers	Morris	Hatter	Evans ¹
12	Wigan Athletic	A	2-3	Beasant	Peters	Thomas	Galliers	Morris	Smith	Evans
Dec. 3	Lincoln City	H	3-1	Beasant	Peters	Winterburn	Galliers	Morris	Hatter	Evans
17	Burnley	H	1-4	Beasant	Morris	Winterburn	Galliers	Smith	Hatter	Evans
24	Brentford	A	4-3	Beasant	Morris ¹	Winterburn	Thomas	Smith	Hatter	Evans ²
27	Millwall	H	4-3	Beasant	Morris	Winterburn	Thomas	Smith ¹	Hatter	Evans ¹
31	Gillingham	A	1-0	Beasant	Morris	Winterburn	Galliers	Smith	Hatter	Evans
Jan. 2	Sheffield United	H	3-1	Beasant	Morris	Winterburn	Galliers	Smith ¹	Hatter	Evans
7	Bradford City	A	2-5	Beasant	Morris	Winterburn	Galliers	Smith	Hatter	Evans
14	Bolton Wanderers	H								
21	Port Vale	A								
Feb. 28	Southend United	H								
4	Orient	A								
11	Exeter City	H								
15	Oxford United	A								
18	Scunthorpe United	H								
Mar. 25	Rotherham United	A								
3	Preston North End	H								
10	Wigan Athletic	H								
17	Bristol Rovers	A								
24	Walsall	H								
31	AFC Bournemouth	A								
Apr. 7	Hull City	H								
10	Plymouth Argyle	A								
14	Lincoln City	A								
21	Brentford	H								
23	Millwall	A								
28	Plymouth Argyle	H								
May 5	Sheffield United	A								
7	Gillingham	H								
12	Burnley	A								
	Newport County	A								
MILK CUP										
Aug. 29	Southend United	A	0-1	Beasant	Peters	Winterburn	Galliers	Morris	Hatter	Evans
Sept. 13	Southend United	(aet) H	6-4	Beasant	Peters	Winterburn	Galliers ¹	Morris	Hatter	Evans ¹
Oct. 4	Nottingham Forest		2-0	Beasant	Peters	Winterburn	Galliers ¹	Morris	Hatter	Evans
26	Nottingham Forest		1-1	Beasant	Peters	Winterburn	Galliers	Morris	Hatter	Evans ¹
Nov. 8	Oldham Athletic		3-1	Beasant	Peters	Winterburn	Galliers	Morris	Hatter	Evans
29	Rotherham United		0-1	Beasant	Peters	Morris	Galliers	Smith	Hatter	Evans
FA CUP										
Nov. 19	Orient		2-1	Beasant	Peters	Winterburn	Galliers	Smith	Hatter	Evans
Dec. 10	Brentford		2-3	Beasant	Peters ¹	Winterburn	Galliers	Morris	Hatter	Evans
ASSOCIATE MEMBERS CUP										
Feb. 20	First Round									
Mar. 12	Second Round									
19	Qtr. Finals									
Apr. 9	Semi Finals									
May 14	Area Finals									
	Natt. Final									
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CANON LEAGUE DIVISION THREE

(Up to and including 9th January, 1984)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Oxford	23	8	3	0	32	15	6	1	5	17	16	46
Hull	23	8	2	1	23	7	4	7	1	15	11	45
Walsall	24	8	2	2	24	12	5	4	3	12	18	45
Sheffield Utd.	23	7	4	0	31	8	5	2	5	15	18	42
Wimbledon	23	9	2	1	37	19	4	1	6	17	26	42
Bristol R.	23	9	1	1	24	10	3	3	6	12	19	40
Burnley	23	9	0	2	34	9	2	6	4	14	18	39
Bolton	23	8	3	1	25	8	3	3	5	10	17	39
Orient	24	8	2	3	21	10	3	2	6	13	21	37
Newport	22	6	4	1	19	13	3	3	5	10	20	34
Gillingham	21	7	1	3	28	15	3	2	5	9	19	33
Lincoln	23	7	2	2	23	11	3	1	8	8	20	33
Millwall	23	9	1	1	21	10	0	5	7	20	33	33
Bradford	23	5	5	2	28	19	4	0	7	15	21	32
Plymouth	22	5	4	1	17	6	2	1	9	12	23	26
Southend	23	5	5	3	21	13	1	2	7	11	28	25
Wigan	22	4	2	5	12	13	2	4	5	12	22	24
Preston	23	4	2	5	20	16	2	3	7	15	19	23
Exeter	23	3	3	6	14	20	2	4	5	17	21	22
Rotherham	22	4	3	5	11	11	2	1	7	11	22	22
Bournemouth	23	5	2	4	18	14	1	2	9	11	30	22
Brentford	22	3	5	2	18	15	1	3	8	14	29	20
Scunthorpe	23	4	4	4	19	21	0	3	8	9	27	19
Port Vale	22	3	2	6	10	12	0	1	10	8	32	12

SOUTH EAST COUNTIES LEAGUE

Date	Opponents	
Aug. 27	Bristol Rovers	2-2
Sept. 3	Luton Town	2-3
Sept. 10	Oxford Utd.	2-1
Sept. 17	Reading	4-0
Sept. 26	West Ham Utd. S.J.F.C.1	1-1
Oct. 1	Bristol Rovers (L.C.1)	4-1
Oct. 8	Swindon Town	5-2
Oct. 11	West Ham Utd. S.J.F.C.1 R	1-3
Oct. 15	Tottenham Hotspur	1-1
Oct. 22	West Ham Utd.	9-2
Nov. 5	Brentford	0-2
Nov. 14	Gillingham F.A.Y.C.1	1-2
Nov. 19	Brighton & Hove Albion	7-0
Dec. 3	Oxford Utd.	4-2
Dec. 17	Southend Utd.	9-0
Jan. 7	Swindon Town	0-3
Jan. 14	Tottenham Hotspur	H
Jan. 21	West Ham Utd.	A
Feb. 11	Bristol Rovers	H
Feb. 18	Brighton & Hove Albion	H
Mar. 3	Brentford	A
Mar. 10	Luton Town	H
Mar. 24	Reading	A
Mar. 31	Southend Utd.	A

S.E. COUNTIES FOOTBALL LEAGUE JUNIOR LEAGUE

(Up to and including 7th January, 1984)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Swindon Town	12	7	4	1	38	17	18
Brentford	11	8	1	2	25	14	17
Wimbledon	12	7	2	3	45	18	16
West Ham Utd	8	5	1	2	22	18	11
Oxford Utd.	10	4	2	4	18	18	10
Luton Town	11	4	2	5	18	23	10
Tottenham	11	3	3	5	24	22	9
Bristol R.	10	3	2	5	19	21	8
Reading	9	3	2	4	13	16	8
Brighton	10	2	4	4	15	25	8
Southend Utd.	12	0	1	11	8	53	1

TEAM CHECK

WIMBLEDON

All Blue, Yellow Trim

- 1 DAVID BEASANT
- 2 GARY PETERS
- 3 NIGEL WINTERBURN
- 4 STEVE GALLIERS
- 5 MICK SMITH
- 6 MARK MORRIS
- 7 STEWART EVANS
- 8 STEVE KETTERIDGE
- 9 ALAN CORK
- 10 WALLY DOWNES
- 11 DEAN THOMAS
- 12

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- 5 GERRY McELHINNEY
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